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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Jean-Louis GUERET) Group Art Unit: 1615
Application No.: 09/779,095) Examiner: Robert M. JOYNES
Filed: February 8, 2001)
For: COMPOSITE STRUCTURE)
HAVING AN ADHESIVE MATRIX)
CONTAINING ONE OR MORE)
ACTIVE AGENTS)

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

The following remarks are responsive to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004.

Claims 1, 5-30, and 35-55 are pending.

In the Office Action, claims 1, 5-11, 14-30, 35-43 and 45-55 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on U.S. Patent No. 6,491,928 to Smith III ("Smith") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,635,704 to Engel et al. ("Engel"). In addition, claims 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Smith in view of Engel and further in view of GB 2307862 to Jehan ("Jehan"), and claim 44 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)